

Modified FIFA Laws  
Under 6 Division

Law I – The Field

- A. Field Size: 40 yd x 20 yd
- B. Goal Size: 10'W x 5'H x 3'D

Law II – The Ball

- A. Ball Size: three (3)

Law III – The Number of Players

- A. 10 players maximum per team
- B. On Field: 4 players and a goalie (5 v. 5)
- C. Substitutions should occur only at the quarter break.
- D. All players should play at least ½ the game.
- E. No player should play more than 1 quarter of a game in the goalie position.
- F. The coach should remain on the sideline during the game.

Law IV – Player's Equipment

- A. Footwear: Tennis Shoes or soft-cleated soccer shoes. Baseball or Football cleats are not allowed. (Cleats are preferred.)
- B. Shin guards are required to be worn underneath the sock.
- C. No Jewelry of any kind allowed.

Law V – The Referee

- A. Certified or league approved Referee.

Law VI – The Assistant Referees

- A. Not used for this age group

Law VII – The Duration of the Match

- A. Length: The game shall be divided into 4 equal quarters of 10 minutes each.
- B. Breaks: There shall be a 2 minute break between the first and second quarter and the third and fourth quarter and a five minute half-time break.
- C. Teams shall switch goals at half time.

Law VIII – The Start of Play

- A. The referee shall determine the team that kicks off with a coin flip or referee discretion.
- B. Opponents must be at least 5 yards from the center mark while the kick-off is in progress. The ball is in play when it is kicked or played forward into the opponent's half of the field.
- C. A goal may be scored directly from a kick-off.

Law IX – Ball in and out of play

- A. The ball is out of play when it has wholly crossed the goal line or the touch line. The ball is in play at all other times.

Law X – Method of Scoring

- A. A goal is scored when the whole of the ball crosses the goal line, between the goal posts and under the crossbar, provided that no infringement of the Modified Laws has been committed by the team scoring the goal.

Law XI – Off sides

- A. There are no off sides in this division.

Law XII – Fouls and Misconduct

- A. Fouls shall be called with an understanding of the age of the players. A foul may be called if a player commits any of the following offenses:
  - 1. kicking, striking, or attempting to kick or strike an opponent;
  - 2. charging or tackling an opponent in a violent, reckless, or dangerous manner;
  - 3. tripping, pushing, or holding an opponent in a violent, reckless, or dangerous manner or in a manner which creates an advantage for the player;
  - 4. using obscene or profane language or making such gestures;
  - 5. a handball
- B. All fouls shall result in an INDIRECT FREE KICK.
- C. The referee and/or coach shall explain all infractions to the offending player.
- D. There shall be NO SLIDE TACKLES.

Law XIII- Free Kicks

- A. There are no direct kicks and all fouls shall result in an indirect free kick taken at the spot of the foul. The ball must be stationary on the taking of the free kick and the kicker shall not touch the ball again until it has been touched by another player of either team.
- B. There shall be no free kicks taken by the attacking team within the defending team's goal area.
- C. The opposing team shall be at least 5 yards away from the ball when the free kick is taken.

Law XIV – The Penalty Kick

- A. There are no penalty kicks in this age group.

Law XV – Throw-Ins

- A. A throw-in is necessary when the ball goes out of play across a touchline. The thrower must face the field when delivering the ball and part of each foot shall be on the touchline or on the ground outside the touchline. The thrower shall use both hands and shall deliver the ball from directly behind and over his or her head.
- B. A goal may not be scored directly from a throw-in.
- C. Successive throw-ins shall be allowed if the initial attempt is improper.

Law XVI – Goal Kick

- A. A goal kick shall occur if the attacking team kicks the ball over the defending team's goal line without scoring a goal.
- B. A goal kick may be taken from any point inside the goal area. The opposing team must be behind the goal kick line when the ball is kicked. A goal may be scored directly from a goal kick.

Law XVII – Corner Kick

- A. A corner kick shall occur if the defending team kicks the ball over their own goal line.
- B. A corner kick shall occur from the corner arc with the opposing team at least 5 yards away. A goal may be scored directly from a corner kick.